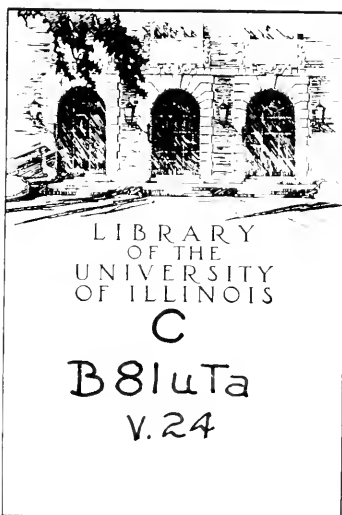


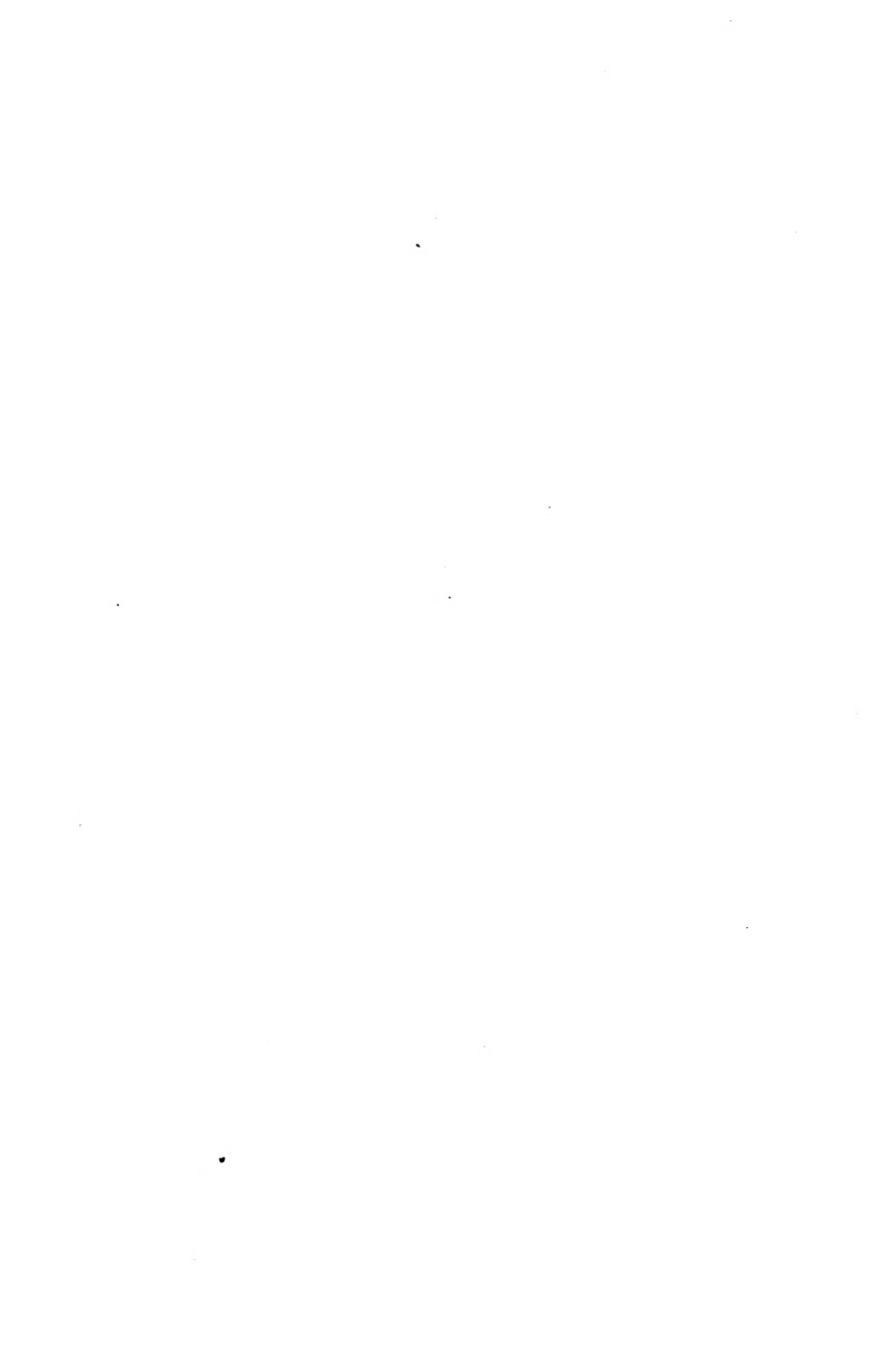
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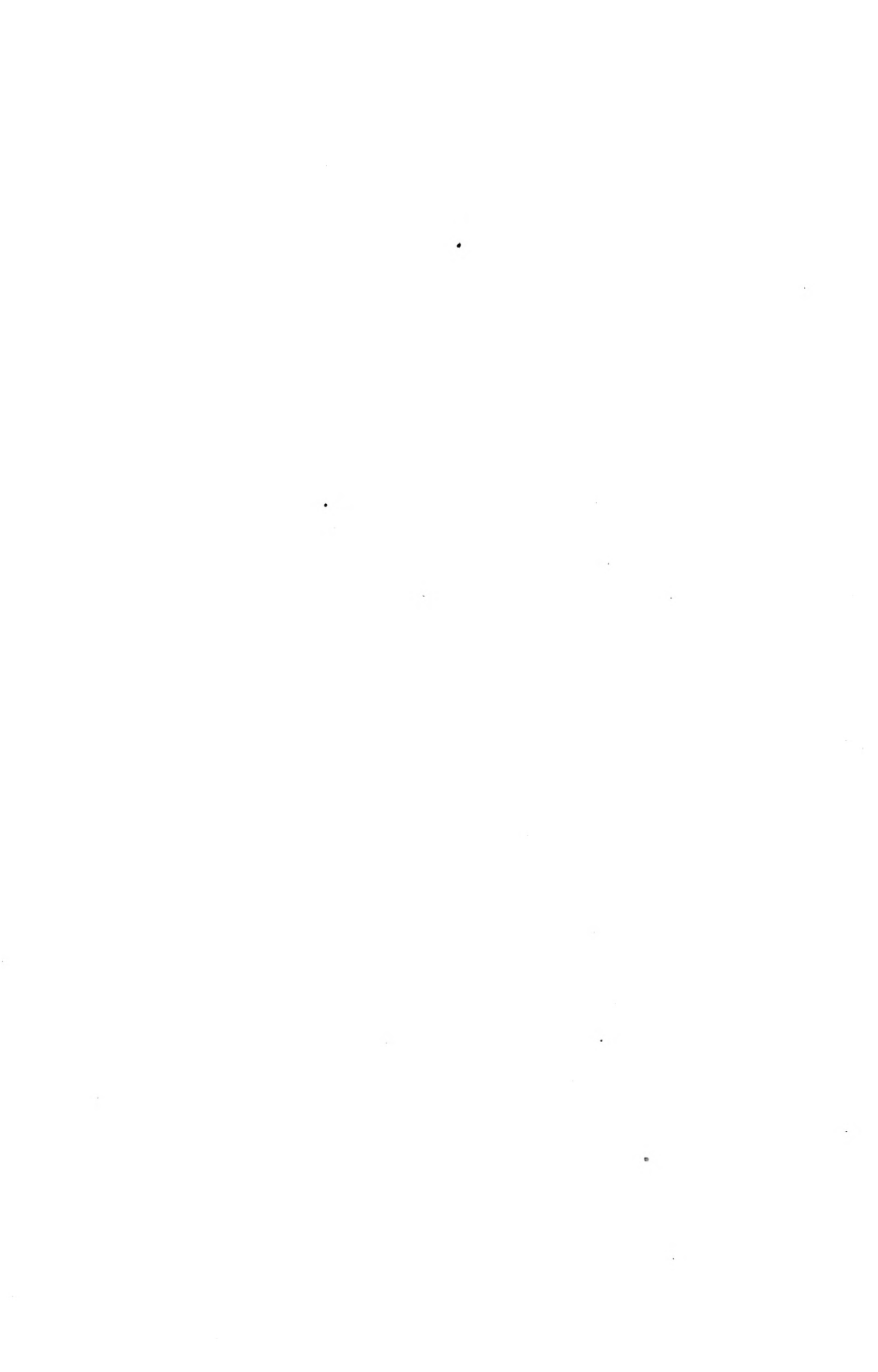
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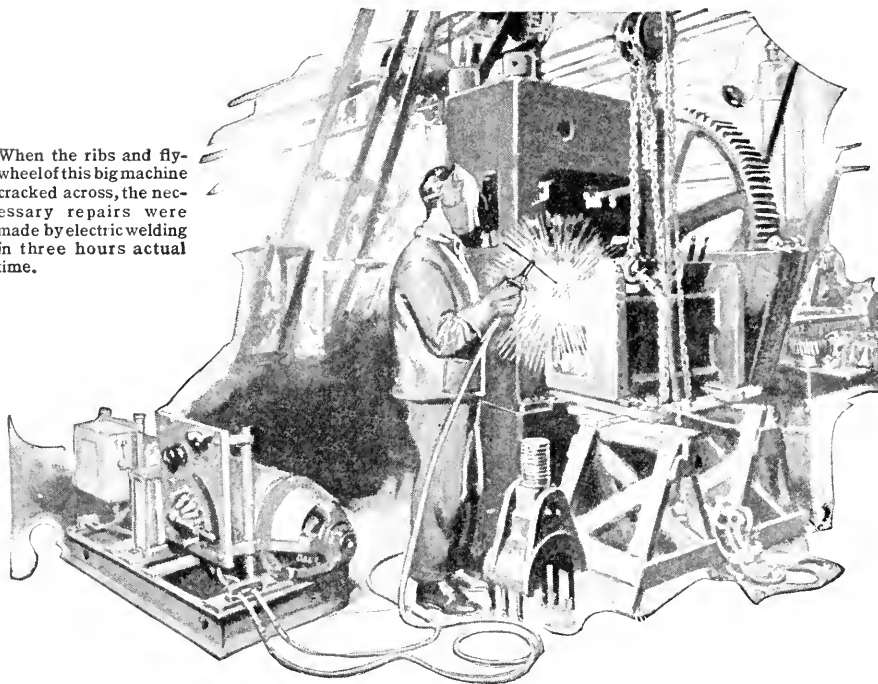
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## On The Hill

BY a unanimous vote the Senior class on October thirtieth passed the following interesting vote:

Whereas, it becomes the duty of a senior class to exemplify the best and finest characteristics of a university, and to maintain a position of honor and dignity in the intercourse of college life, and to hold most in reverence and sacredness the ideals of the Alma Mater, and that other classes may understand the responsibilities that this Senior Class of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-four assumes:

Be it resolved that the class cherish the high purposes for which Brown University was founded, and

Be it resolved that the Senior class in carrying on all of the functions of college life will engage in no activity that is in any way detrimental to the finest mental, social, physical and spiritual growth, and

Be it resolved that in performing our duties as a senior class, we will pursue all activities in fitting moderation so as to maintain the highest self-respect, fitness for duty, and irreproachable good name, and

Be it resolved that we pledge our hearty and unqualified support to the interests of our college, alike from the viewpoint of the administration, faculty, and alumni, and respond to their desires for cooperation, and finally

Be it resolved that we make known our desire to keep Brown University the home of gentlemanly conduct and good fellowship and also our desire that our Alma Mater should continue to foster the spirit of deference and delicacy in all the intimate relations of life.

Passed by unanimous vote of the Class of Nineteen Twenty-four.

Joe Nutter,

President

James H. Barrett,

First Vice President

Charles S. Barton,  
Second Vice President  
Earle C. Drake,  
Treasurer  
Niles C. Cobb,  
Secretary

This strikes us as a rather unusual vote to be passed by a senior class, but no less a commendable one on that account. It has the ring of sincerity as well as of fine loyalty, and we particularly like the concluding declaration, that "our Alma Mater should continue to foster the spirit of deference and delicacy in all the intimate relations of life."

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WE do not know who contrived this phrase but it fits in with our own long-established conviction that universities in general and Brown University in particular should emphasize the courtliness and graciousness of friendly human relations. It may be difficult, not to say impossible, to give full play to "the spirit of deference and delicacy" on the football field, and there are other relationships and contacts in which the dominant note must be vigor, courage, insistence, even aggressiveness. But in a thousand ways the practice of politeness is possible—politeness in the best sense of the word. We find in the dictionary this definition of politeness: The quality of being polite; courtesy or complaisance of speech. Finish and elegance; polish. Synonyms — affability, amenity, civility, comity, complaisance, gentility, polish, refinement, suavity, urbanity." We think that sums it up fairly well, though we would suggest consideration thoughtfulness, aversion to giving pain, and unselfishness as some of the fundamentals out of which politeness grows.

MANY college students at the present day spring from an environment in which the amenities of life are not much practiced. This is true at every college in the land. The newest comers among the immigrants are sending their boys and girls to our higher institutions of learning and our old native stock is contributing every sort of social element from the most to the least fastidious and urbane. So it is that while many undergraduates need no social training from the college, many need such a training very much; we believe that Brown University should definitely and earnestly provide it. Something is already done in occasional orientation lectures, but that is not enough. There should be a deliberate and effective presentation to every student during his four years at Brown, not once or twice but many times, of the requirements of society in the truest and best meaning of that often misused word.

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WE believe that there should be compulsory attendance upon lectures from time to time at which the customs and usages of Good Society are declared and explained. To those students who are not in need of such instruction it will nevertheless not come amiss; there can of course be no discrimination in the matter; the University cannot say to one boy "You must take this course," and to another "You do not require it." And who, indeed, would not profit by a restatement of even familiar social truths? As for the large proportion of undergraduates who have never had impressed upon them the niceties of social intercourse, an opportunity like this would come, whether acknowledged by them or not, as a lifelong boon.

It is easy to say that such teaching is not the true business of a college, but we are sure that it is. The inept man or woman, the unmeaning boor, the ignorant trespasser against age-long conventions, the brash offender against unnumbered rules that have grown up through the centuries to divide the tutored from the untutored, the pride-

ful eccentric, the contemner of refinements,—what might not tactful and expert enlightenment do for such as these! And what might it not do for the reputation of Brown University in a few years, stamping class after class with the hallmark of social ease and adeptness?

We believe that by such means Brown could do as much for its students as by any formal course it now offers in its curriculum. We are not snobbish in the matter; we do not wish to see a generation of prigs or social luminaries produced; but we are earnestly desirous that there shall be a required Course in Manners, from the lack of which thousands of college graduates in America, who missed the necessary training at home, are suffering to-day.

Take the simple business of table etiquette. There is no use arguing that meal-time refinements are of no consequence; that if a man's heart or instinct is right, nothing further is requisite; that a wide latitude must be allowed—it actually isn't. And above and beyond the rules of the table stretch an infinite variety of customs and practices of which the Senior should, after four years of college training, be thoroughly informed. They are founded, for the most part, on common sense and experience. They are the product of a long social pragmatism, and the young man upon whom his university has bestowed a thorough-going knowledge of them has a prima-facie preparation for a happy and successful career.

All this has been suggested to us by the Senior class's vote in favor of "the spirit of deference and delicacy in all the intimate relations of life." We thank the class for its unforgettable phrase, and we urge the Faculty and Corporation to lose no time in embodying and exemplifying it in a compulsory course in the university curriculum.

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WE should like to see tried somewhere in America—and why not at Brown?—the English collegiate experiment. America has drawn upon Germany

rather than upon England for her form of university organization, and it seems as if we had been strangely neglectful of the Oxford and Cambridge precedent.

We should like to see a college organized at Brown in accordance with the English tradition—a college wholly within the university but separate from the rest of the institution to the extent that Balliol or Magdalen is separate from the rest of Oxford. It would be at least a highly interesting innovation and one that would attract attention throughout the country.

Care would have to be taken to prevent its becoming an undemocratic unit in the university scheme. It would have to prove its entire loyalty to Brown. But with this in mind it would afford an attractive opportunity for closer companionships and more direct contact with the teaching force than is now possible. An establishment of this sort with two or three hundred students—perhaps more, perhaps less—would yield many obvious advantages that the numerical growth of the modern university renders impossible.

It might be that the success of such a college within the university would lead to the formation of a second and a third. Eventually the whole institution might be thus remodelled. Or on the contrary the original separate college might continue and flourish alongside the old-time system; who knows! Perhaps some benefactor of Brown will provide the money for the experiment—one that is well worth trying somewhere in the United States.

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**N**OW that the committee on Commencement afternoon exercises has been appointed, we venture to say to its respected members what we said to the Brown constituency in general in our July number. The Brown graduates who attend these exercises—and this means a company of a thousand or more—do not want to be bored next June as they have been bored on so many occasions in the past.

and there is no reason why they should be.

We modestly suggest to begin with that whoever is to be the presiding officer of the occasion should be tactfully given to understand that it is not the proper function of a person in such a position to deliver three, four or a half a dozen speeches of considerable length during the afternoon, as some presiding officers have done in years gone by; he should serve as a link between the announced speakers, confining any considerable remarks he has to make to his initial appearance on the programme. We believe that it is the duty of the committee to point this out, courteously but firmly. If the committee fails at this point, it will miss one of the prime requisites in the needed reform.

Again, if we judge the Commencement afternoon audience aright—and we are confident that we do—it wants no long addresses from anyone. Nor does it relish the infliction upon it of prosy speeches from anybody, however distinguished. There have been speakers in the past who have accepted invitations to speak on Commencement afternoon and seemingly have been under the impression, before coming, that they were expected to occupy the entire time, whereas as it turned out they were merely members of an oratorical galaxy of some five or six.

Rarely has the Alumni Monthly been more commended for an expression of opinion than it has for its criticism of past derelictions in this respect. Among the messages of commendation was one, we may add, from a member of the Corporation who expressed himself as being in entire and enthusiastic accord with the Monthly's position.

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**A** MELANCHOLY criticism was visited upon us the other day. "Don't print such long obituaries," exclaimed an old graduate. All right, we won't; anything—or almost anything—to please. But isn't it a trifle disconcerting to think that

perhaps the world doesn't want to dwell on the biographies of any of us when we are dead!

Personally we like biography, whether a man's dead or not. We like it better, of course, when he is alive, but we are still concerned to know the details of his career after it is finished, provided these details are interesting. Then comes the question of what is interesting and what isn't.

Isn't it an interesting fact that a man has been president of a bank or member of a church or father of six children? To us

it is; we happen to be interested in people; but we can imagine that details like this bore some of our readers.

Probably one reason impelling us to publish rather extended obituaries in the Monthly has been the feeling that this may be the last time we shall be called upon to print anything much about the subjects of these sketches. Of course the alumni archives contain all the necessary facts, yet we like to feel that the files of this magazine are a fairly complete compendium of Brown biography.

## Dartmouth Only Just Wins

DARTMOUTH defeated Brown in their annual football game this year, but by a very narrow margin. The game was played at Fenway Park, Boston, on Saturday, November 10th, in the presence of a crowd of about 21,000 spectators. The Brown bear was in attendance, as he was also at the Harvard game in the Cambridge stadium a week later.

At the beginning of the fourth period the score stood 16-0 in favor of Dartmouth, but then and there Brown staged one of the most thrilling comebacks in the history of American football. Using the forward pass liberally and daringly, two touchdowns and goals were quickly scored and when time was called the Brunonian players were in the midst of a glorious rally that only just fell short of victory. The final score was 16-14.

In the Boston Globe John J. Hallahan describes the last thrilling moments of the game. He says:

"Dartmouth showed (in the fourth period) signs of fatigue. By a clever dash by Bolles, the ball was advanced to Brown's 37-yard line. Here, ground was hard to gain and after five yards were made Capt. Aschenbach tried a goal from placement which failed.

"Then the crowd was thrown into hysteria. Swaney now kicking in place of

Marshall, who had given way to Pohlman, sent the ball to Quarterback Dooley. The latter started to make a fair catch on Dartmouth's 40-yard line. He partly raised one hand and before he could wrap both hands around the ball, it bounded to the ground. Reynolds, of Brown, who had come down fast, picked it up with one scoop. He was alone, but tearing behind him was Mike Watkins. The latter gained rapidly on the flying bear. He threw himself at Reynolds, but was unable to hold him. Reynolds went down, but he crawled the remaining five yards for a Brown touchdown.

"As if inspired by the break in its favor, Brown started a whirlwind attack, shooting forward passes. Swaney made a 35-yard pass to Dixon on Dartmouth's 40-yard line. Dixon was going like the wind. Only Dooley was between him and the goal posts. Dooley raced over to the side, and struck Dixon at the 18-yard line. After being toppled Dixon picked himself up, only to be taken down from behind by the fleet Watkins at the five-yard line.

"One play was driven into the line. It gained little, but on the next play Pohlman crashed across for the touchdown. Swaney dropkicked the goal as he had done before. Brown, which had lost several chances for successful forward passes because of the inability of players to hold the ball, became

desperate. Time was fast fleeting, and after Swaney had completed a forward to Schmultz for a gain of 20 yards, the Dartmouth stands were dazed.

"A play was sent into the line and another forward pass was tried. This time the ball landed in Aschenbach's arms, and Dixon failed to complete the pass. One play into the line gained a little and then an offside penalty gave Dartmouth a first down.

"Another play was tried and just as the field judge declared time up, a fumble occurred and Brown recovered the ball on its own 27-yard line. It looked from the press peak that the man might have been able to run with the ball before it had been declared dead."

The lineup:

Brown: Sheldon l. e., Spellman l. t., McDermott l. g., Eckstein c., Barrett r. g., Roman r. t., Stiffler r. e., Higgins q. Swaney l. hb., Payor r. hb., Marshall fb. Substitutions by Brown: Reynolds, Johnston, Maier, Myers, Eisenberg, Ferry, Dixon, Klump, Pohlman.

Score by periods:

Dartmouth . . . . .	3	0	13	0—16
Brown . . . . .	0	0	0	14—14

Touchdowns — Maloney, Oberlander, Reynolds, Pohlman. Points by goal after touchdown—Haws, Swaney 2. Goals from field—Haws (placement). Referee —F. S. Bergin, Princeton. Umpire—C. C. McCarthy, Georgetown. Linesman—T. J. McCabe, Holy Cross. Field judge—F. W. Burleigh, Exeter. Time of periods —15 minutes.

## Corporation Affairs

The November meeting of the Advisory and Executive Committee was held in the President's office on Friday, November 9, at 2.30 p. m. The report of the Superintendent of Buildings was read, received and placed on file.

Among new appointments to the teaching staff were Professor Charles A. Kraus of Clark University, Lecturer in Chemistry at Brown for the current year, and Richard D. Allen, Brown 1910, Lecturer in Education for the current year.

Dr. Bugbee, the University physician was requested to have an office hour daily for students, at which they might receive diagnosis and prescription free of charge—any further treatment to be at the expense of the students. It was also understood that Dr. Bugbee might be called in case of illness to any dormitory or fraternity house to diagnose and prescribe without expense to the student—all further treatment to be at the student's expense.

The committee on Commencement Dinner and Arrangements was appointed as follows: Professors Theodore Collier, Walter G. Everett, Albert K. Potter, John F.

Greene and Kendall K. Smith; Dr. Charles L. Nichols Theodore Francis Green, Dr. Frank L. Day, Lauriston H. Hazard, E. A. Stockwell, Thomas B. Appleget.

It was voted to give permission to the United League of Women Voters to hold for a second time a School for Political Education in the halls of the University during the spring recess; that is, from April 3rd to April 5th.

It was voted that teachers in private schools in Rhode Island should be admitted to instruction in Brown University on the same basis as teachers in the public schools.

The greater part of the afternoon was given to discussing the need of an outdoor amphitheatre or stadium, in view of the approaching discontinuance of the use of Andrews Field. It was voted that the President appoint a committee of seven, five of whom should be members of the Corporation, to prepare a plan for financing, as well as for construction and operation, of an outdoor structure suited for intercollegiate sports.

The meeting adjourned shortly after five o'clock.

# Brown Beats Harvard

**B**BROWN'S football warriors went to

Cambridge on Saturday, November 17th, intent on beating Harvard, and expecting to do so; and they were not disappointed. In the presence of a great throng of 45,000 people they rose nobly the occasion. Although the Crimson scored a touchdown and kicked a goal in the first quarter, Brown ran up twenty points in the second half of the game and thus achieved a substantial victory. Seven thousand followers of the team were in attendance from Providence, the largest crowd from this city that has ever been present at a Brown football match on any outside gridiron.

A forward pass, Spalding to Gordon, after a march from Harvard's 41 yard line on eight plays, slightly halted by a penalty for offside, gave the Crimson a well earned touchdown in the second period and Hobson kicked the goal. Thus the first half ended.

After a parade to Harvard's six yard line, when a forward pass was grounded in the end zone, Brown began another series of assaults in which the forward pass played a prominent part and landed the ball on the Crimson's one yard line. One play failed and then Marshall was rushed in for Sweet; he scored and later kicked the goal. Before the period was over Stifler of Brown blocked the attempt of Pfaffmann of Harvard (who won the Princeton game the week before by a drop kick) to drop kick a goal from the field and raced sixty-two yards for a touchdown.

In the last quarter Dixon of Brown broke through the Crimson line and after throwing off several opponents ran sixty-three yards for a touchdown that put the game far beyond the reach of the Cambridge team.

This tells the story of how the Bear clawed his way to victory, why the followers of Brown indulged in a snake dance and sang their college anthem with heads bared in the middle of the gridiron over

which their representatives had thrown a strong Harvard eleven to defeat. It was a joyous bunch of Brown men. They had every reason for joy; for in a contest which was free from penalties, excepting for a few five yard distances, Robinson's team had waged a winning battle once they struck their stride, which was shortly after play was resumed in the second half.

Brown was alert. It had a fast running back field and its line charged quickly. There was very little to choose between the kickers, but Brown's attack was more diversified and more concentrated. As for aerial plays, Brown, with a short forward pass behind the line of scrimmage, had the better of the argument.

Clever interference, headed by Captain Spellman, was shown by the victors, and when Dixon broke away for his brilliant dash after battling his way through the front line he had several men to keep his path clear to the Harvard goal. When Stifler blocked Pfaffman's attempt at a goal from the field from the 38 yard line he also had fine help from his mates, a Brown man knocking over Referee Okeson and Maher, who had been gaining rapidly on the flying Brunonian. It was just such work that stood out in Brown's play that gave the Bear the margin of victory.

The lineup:

Brown: Schmultz l. e., Spellman l. t., McDermott l. g., Eckstein c., Barrett r. g., Roman r. t., Stifler r. e., Eisenberg q., Swaney l. hb., Dixon r. hb., Sweet fb.—Harvard: Robb l. e., Eastman l. t., Dunker l. g., S. Bradford c., Grew r. g., Hobson r. t., Gordon r. e., Spalding q., Lockwood l. hb., Hammond r. hb., Howe fb.

Score by periods:

Brown . . . . .	0	0	14	6—20
Harvard . . . . .	0	7	0	0—7

Touchdowns—Marshall, Stifler, Dixon, Gordon. Points after touchdowns—Marshall 2 (drop kicks on placement), Hobson (placement).

Substitutions—Brown: Myers for Eis-

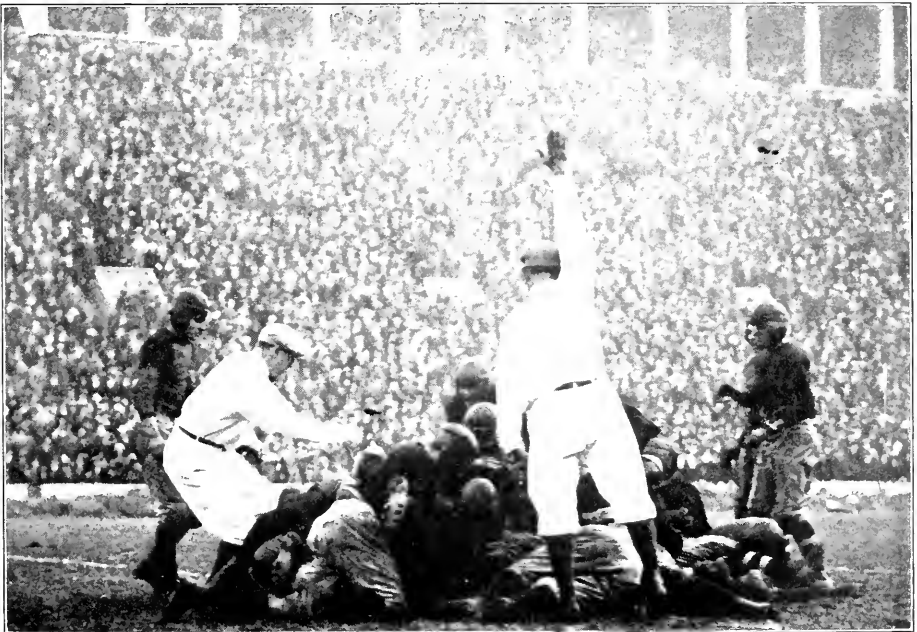


# Victory at Cambridge



## PAYOR'S GREAT RUN

The picture shows Payor making the run that produced almost immediately afterward Brown's first touchdown in the Harvard Stadium, where 45,000 witnessed the Brunonian triumph



## THE FIRST TOUCHDOWN

The referee is seen holding up his hand in token of Brown's success in pushing Marshall across the line for our initial score

enberg, Higgins for Myers, Payor for Dixon, Marshall for Sweet, Neubauer for Schmults, Reynolds for Roman, Roman for Reynolds, Eisenberg for Higgins, Sweet for Marshall, Myers for Eisenberg, Marshall for Sweet, Reynolds for Spellman, Talbot for Neubauer, Dixon for Payor, Higgins for Dixon, Metzger for McDermott, Moorhouse for Barrett, Klump for Swaney, Cross for Myers, Meier for Stifler. Harvard: Samborski for Howe, Donovan for Grew, Pfaffman for Spalding, Moseley for Pfaffman, Spalding for Moseley, Cordingly for Hammond, Hill for Gordon, Maher for Cordingly, R. Hubbard for Hobson, Daniell for Donovan, Pfaffman for Spalding, Moseley for Pfaffman, Combs for Robb, Rogers for Lockwood, C. Bradford for Dunker, Beals for Hill, Theo-

pold for Eastman, E. Bradford for Coombs.

Referee—W. R. Okeson, Lehigh. Umpire—William Hollenbach, Pennsylvania. Field judge—F. W. Burleigh, Exeter. Linesman—T. J. McCabe, Holy Cross. Time of periods—15 minutes.

While Harvard is far ahead of Brown in the number of matches won in the long series that began in 1892, Brown has won four of the last seven games. The scores in these seven matches were: 1916, Brown 21, Harvard 0; 1918, Brown 6, Harvard 3; 1919, Brown 0, Harvard 7; 1920, Brown 0, Harvard 27; 1921, Brown 7, Harvard 9; 1922, Brown 3, Harvard 0; 1923, Brown 20, Harvard 7. This gives a total in points of Brown 57, Harvard 53.

## Transfers to Brown

Brown is exceedingly fortunate this year in the large number of transfers who have joined the ranks of the undergraduates. Harris from Dartmouth promises to make a name for himself on the Brown football team next year. Last year his consistent work for Dartmouth did much to put the Green team on its feet. He comes here from Dartmouth by way of West Virginia. On last year's Green team he was the outstanding figure in the backfield. Against Harvard last year, he was the only man who was able to gain consistently, while his defensive work was one of the features of the game. In addition to this he did all the punting for Dartmouth, averaging better than fifty yards for the game.

From the University of Michigan comes Jackson Keefer '25, hailed as the greatest back in the Western Conference. Keefer has behind him a record that places him at once in line for first place on every All-American eleven in the East next year. He is spoken of by one of the greatest sporting writers of the West as "The greatest back we have ever seen. He is by far the best receiver of forward passes that ever flashed across the Western football fields and it is

doubtful if the East has anyone who can compare with him."

In the Michigan-Minnesota game of last year Keefer gave what is called "the most brilliant exhibition of forward pass receiving that the West had ever seen." In that game Keefer caught eleven forward passes from various points on the playing field. He is an exceedingly hard man to stop. He has a twist, a turn, and a change of pace that baffled the strongest teams in the West. Brown will look forward to seeing Keefer in action next fall. The rules, of course, forbid his playing this year.

Klump of the 'Varsity eleven, one of our stars this year, transferred to Brown from Western Reserve.

## BROWN FOOTBALL RECORD

Brown 34, Haverford 0.  
Brown 33, Colby 0.  
Brown 7, Washington & Jefferson 12.  
Brown 20, Boston University 3.  
Brown 0, Yale 21.  
Brown 19, St. Bonaventure 0.  
Brown 14, Dartmouth 16.  
Brown 20, Harvard 7.  
Brown 6, Univ of N. H. 0  
Brown 6, Lehigh 12

# An Old-Time Scholar

By N. T. Bacon

*(Mr. Bacon was Mr. Peck's immediate superior in the Solvay Process Company. He contributed the following appreciation of John B. Peck, Brown '66, to the Narragansett Times of July 20 last:)*

MR. John B. Peck, whose death is just reported, was one of the most remarkable mathematicians with whom I have come in contact.

To those who find mathematicians uninviting, it will probably come as a surprise that beyond any other science it calls for play of the imagination, and in this he had few rivals. It led to his being ridiculed frequently for statements that were absolutely correct. A striking instance was his suggestion made while at the Naval Academy, shortly after the Civil War, of building battleships entirely of steel. No one of our naval staff was willing to consider this as in any way a practical idea, yet thirty years later all battleships were so built.

There is one link in the demonstration of the theory of the Differential Calculus with which some mathematicians have always felt dissatisfied because it passes through the phase of zero divided by zero, an expression which may stand for any value whatever. By a remarkable stretch of the imagination, Mr. Peck found a way of avoiding this theoretical weakness. I believe that his method (of which he explained to me the theory) has never been published. At another time I found a lot of misprints in an abstruse mathematical book which I was working over, and asked him to check a result where I differed from the book. He could not remember the complicated formula for this, and rather than hunt up a book on the subject, he worked out in his head on the spur of the moment a method for solving cubical equations, which on its face was very different from that given as Cardan's formula.

Most men of high imagination, poets

and philosophers, have the practical side less developed, so that it is not to be wondered at that Mr. Peck, with ideas that soared beyond the grasp of his fellows, should not have kept pace with them in the round of his daily tasks, on which he found it hard to concentrate his intellect, but there were few with such scrupulous regard for others, and for what seemed to him his duty.

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George B. Peck '64, a brother of John B. Peck, writes the Alumni Monthly as follows:

"Wisely he thrice refused the principalship of Worcester Academy—I imagine that place requires business talent, which is lacking in our family. His taking men through (from square root) arithmetic, algebra, geometry, analytical geometry, calculus and Rankin's Mechanics in eighty lessons is sufficient proof of his extraordinary mathematical ability (recognized by his classmates in college). John never studied his algebra lessons: at prayers (he did not belong to a church then) he simply glanced at a classmate's book to see what the lesson was about. Even McLaren's Theorem did not 'stump' him, though fellows that knew he had not looked at it believed he was doomed. In the Memories of Brown, published some years since, the story is told about Professor Greene's getting a lesson referred to John. I have always regretted yielding to his protestations and withholding his name."

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The story referred to by Mr. Peck is as follows. We have substituted the brilliant student's name where it has hitherto been wanting:

"The truth of that ancient adage 'Never too old to learn' was renewedly and conspicuously exemplified by an experience of that eminent educator, Professor

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S. S. Greene, but a short time before his retirement. In his algebra class was a pupil whom he styled the best mathematician he had ever met in the classroom. . . Now, the professor had been in the habit of telling his students they must be prepared to perform any example under the caption to be considered next day, but suddenly he awoke to the fact that most of the class were totally unacquainted with them. Thoroughly provoked, he ordered each student to hand in next morning as he entered the recitation room a solution of every problem in the next lesson. These covered more than two pages octavo. Peck raised his hand—"Yes, you too, Peck," broke in the professor, 'no one will be excused,' and the student's hand dropped. Most of the class were dismayed: it was absolutely impossible for them to solve the examples and devote any attention to their other studies. On emerging from the recitation room they instinctively grouped to consider the situation, when one of the most stalwart threw his arms around their mathematician and exclaimed, 'We've got Peck now, we won't let him go until he has got us out of this scrape.' Another student tendered the use of his room and thither all repaired. Peck ordered the boys to count off by threes. He explained the first example to the division of ones and directed them to commence figuring; then he went over the second with the twos and the third

with the threes. By this time the ones were ready to report. If their answers agreed he considered them correct—if there was much divergence he went through the work himself and thus detected the several errors. Quite promptly the list of questions was completed. Arrangements were made for the exchange of papers for transcribing when the question was asked, 'What is to be done with Peck?' Finally it was agreed that one man from each division would hand him a copy of the problems he had wrought, which arrangement was duly carried out. Next morning, each student on entering the recitation room handed the professor a neatly written sheet containing the desired solutions, until Peck appeared, when he coolly passed over three pieces of paper in as many distinct chirographies, neither being his own. The professor paused, separated them, closely scanned them and then looking up at Peck asked, 'Have you performed all these examples?' 'Yes, sir,' promptly replied Peck. The professor again looked at the papers, when Peck continued, 'The man that builds the house is *not* the man that drives the nails!' After a moment's pause the papers were laid on the desk with the others and Peck passed on. Never again was that class directed to perform an example outside the recitation room. Those three papers, of course, had afforded the key to the situation."

### Brown to Play Yale

Brown will play Yale at football as usual next year. The game will be at New Haven on October 25.

"As evidence of the good relations between the two universities," Dr. Marvel says, "I would cite the fact that after the game at New Haven this fall the Brown Athletic Association received from the Yale Athletic Association a substantial check in addition to the guarantee formally agreed upon."

The Yale schedule is as follows: Oct. 4, North Carolina; Oct. 11, Georgia; Oct.

18, Dartmouth; Oct. 25, Brown; Nov. 1, West Point; Nov. 8, Maryland; Nov. 15, Princeton; Nov. 22, Harvard.

Dartmouth appears for the first time in 24 years. In all the Green's games with the Blue it has never scored a point.

The Brown series is the oldest in which Yale participates except those with Harvard and Princeton.

Brown will play Colgate at Providence on Thanksgiving Day next year. It will also meet Harvard and Dartmouth as usual in 1924.

# A Mountain Rattler

How a Brown Man Encountered a Venomous Enemy

*Mellinger E. Henry '99 in the New York Evening Post*

I have an uncontrollable fear of snakes. I am often almost paralyzed with fright at the sight of a snake. I therefore always keep a sharp eye ahead and strike right and left with my stick on the trails of the Southern mountains.

The reader can imagine, then, the state of terror I was in on the slope of Bald Mountain alone one evening about dusk while crossing a log to behold a huge rattlesnake striking directly at my face. Can you think of all the horrors you have imagined in a lifetime condensed in one awful second? Can you conceive of the thing you loathe most with the most terrifying, shrinking loathing, appearing before you in the half darkness of the evening and on the wildest of mountain trails and at the same time realize on the instant that one bite from this loathsome, slimy, crawling, hissing, striking monster would be almost certain death?

This horrifying thought flashed before me in the fraction of a second and caused me to swing back my head with such suddenness that the rattlesnake passed by my face in a kind of blur and fastened its fangs in the front of my khaki shirt, while the swiftness of my action in ducking my head threw me backward over the log and I rolled somersault after somersault with that infernal monster clinging to my clothing. When I eventually got to my feet, the thing was gone; but I was utterly unnerved. I shook in every part of my body; yet for a time I was unable to move. I knew I had not been bitten, yet I was for the moment deathly sick and was overcome with nausea.

I continued trembling with a kind of ague for some time, while the perspiration stood in beads on my face and hands. At last I bestirred myself. I found my stick. This seemed to bring back some of my nerve. I made a wide circle to get above the log I had fallen over in my effort to

avoid the striking rattler. I approached the log carefully from the upper side and peered over it. There was my enemy in the dim light coiled for another strike. I came down on him with blow after blow from my stick until I killed him. He was as thick as my arm and had seventeen rattles.

I now investigated how the rattlesnake had been able to strike at my face from above the log. I then discovered the roots of a tree which had been blown over and whose roots projected over and above the log. It was from these high extending roots that the rattlesnake had struck. Missing my face by a hair's breadth, as it were he had caught the front of my shirt without going deeper than the cloth.

Was it nervousness that caused me a little later to kill the harmless pilot snake that lay in the path? At least, scientists inform us that the pilot snake is without venom. The natives, however, treat this snake as a dangerous enemy. It should be added in all honesty for those who fear snakes that one meets them comparatively rarely in the Southern mountains. I have spent five summers in the mountains of North Carolina and have personally met with only two venomous snakes.

## NOTES OF THE MONTH

A course of lectures on business has been given at Brown during the month.

In the Yale game Brown made 6 first downs to Yale's 11, gained 117 yards from scrimmage to Yale's 203, gained 20 yards on completed passes to Yale's 26, and averaged 47 yards on punts to Yale's 38.

There are 385 members in the Freshman class. They come from 19 States, Cuba, Mexico and Japan. Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New York, Connecticut and New Jersey contribute the most men in the order named.

# The Brown Clubs

## NEW YORK

Approximately seventy Brown men attended the first club smoker of the year at the club house on Friday, Nov. 9. Dr. R. C. Murphy, Brown '11, Assistant to the Director of the American Museum of Natural History, gave an interesting talk on the museum. Dr. Murphy's vividly colored descriptions of his whaling experiences in the Indian Ocean and other adventures in connection with his trips were enjoyed immensely. Refreshments were served, and it was felt that the informal gathering made for better acquaintance and fellowship among the many Brown men in New York.

There were thirty in for dinner and it is earnestly hoped that the many newcomers will often take advantage of the club restaurant service, especially the dollar dinner. No better dinners are served in New York.

Incidentally the club also wishes to add that luncheons are served here not only on Thursdays, on which day all Brown men have been asked to make an especial effort to come to the club, but every day. The restaurant is open daily and we would again like to remind all Brown men in New York and those coming here of the advantages of using the club permanent and transient rooms.

The class of 1919 held its first dinner of the year on Friday, November 2nd. Those who participated in the gayeties of the evening included George Harris, Ted Howell, Harlow Peters, Howard Tindall, Dr. Arthur Duryea, Elmer Hering, Lincoln Vaughan, Larry Corcoran and Tom Watson. One of the former chief celebrants, Don Millar, offered as his excuse for missing the festivities, that he had taken unto himself a wife, Miss Brenda Howard. The ceremony was performed at Allendale, N. J., in September. Mr. and Mrs. Millar will be glad to see any of their friends at 1030 President st., Brooklyn.

## CHICAGO

Brown men who were a thousand miles away from the scene of the Brown-Dartmouth fray believe they furnished the moral support which put over the Brown touchdowns. It would have done anyone good to see that loyal, enthusiastic, and almost hysterical crowd of old graduates and young graduates at the Hamilton Club rootig for the third touchdown. There they were jumping up and down, pounding chairs and stray heads which ventured above the dead line, yelling hoarse shrieks for Swaney or whoever it was to tear up the Green line. Every favorable turn in that last five minutes of play brought a swelling roar from the Brown rooters and a deep groan from the Dartmouth fans. There were many visible crossed fingers while men prayed for the referee's watch to stop or sought to stretch the short minute into two. Dartmouth fumbled and Brown recovered. Another whoop that stopped the billiard players four doors below in the Hamilton Club. Then—the deliberate telegrapher calmly announced that the game was over.

The Brunonians went home slowly and quite as dejected as any group of undergraduates. "Score ought to be 7-3, favor Brown," said one. "Well, Dartmouth certainly knew there were horse shoes all over that win," said another. The expression was outspoken that the Big Brown team had fought a game battle which deserved a victory.

To start in with the climax is interesting but it always leaves room for an explanation leading up to the climax. And it is so in this case.

Friday night preceding the game the club called for a mass meeting in the Hamilton Club. A good crowd turned out and listened to the reports which had been received from Dr. Marvel and Al Gurney speculating on the chances for a win.

Songs were rehearsed and the cheers gone over. The greater part of an hour was spent writing messages to each player whom Dr. Marvel had indicated as a probable entry in the game.

Dartmouth, which has a larger club in Chicago than Brown, failed to turn out as well as the Brown Club, which out-rooted, outsung and outnumbered the Dartmouth cheering section Saturday afternoon. If determination, spirit, and vociferousness could win football games Dartmouth was snowed under. Led by Harold Jackson, the cheers came with a real snap and volume.

Next year will probably see a special delegation from the Brown Club of Chicago at the annual fracas. It is not known now how many will attend, but be it known to all Brown clubs that Chicago will be very much on the map despite the thousand miles which must be traversed. And more than one alumnus hopes that every Brown club will send a delegation, because next year will be the big year.

### CONNECTICUT VALLEY

Members of the Connecticut Valley Brown Club have been meeting this fall with interfraternity groups at lunches in Springfield with a view to determine the practicability of a University Club in Springfield. Secretary Herb Osteyee says that it is only a question of time before the project goes through. "Springfield and its vicinity," he continues, "has perhaps a larger proportion of college men in its population than most communities. What opposition exists to the formation of a University Club arises from the fact that the city is full of clubs in which university men form a large portion of the membership. The University Club of Springfield would furnish a natural meeting place for the different college groups and we feel that interest in our own club would be greatly stimulated by such facilities. In any event, we are planning to have a few lunches in addition to our big annual dinner scheduled for February."

### BOSTON

Even though the annual dinner of the Sons of Brown in Boston and vicinity, held the night before the Brown-Harvard football game, was not as well attended as it has been in other years, nevertheless what the alumni lacked in numbers they made up in enthusiasm. It was, indeed, a "big night" and we make a graceful bow to George Burgess, Dan Brown, Roy Leith and the rest who worked so hard to make the 51st annual gathering a memorable one.

There was a real Crimson tinge to the affair, as President Lowell of Harvard and R. K. Kane, former Harvard football star and crew captain, were two of the speakers. President Faunce occupied the headline place with President Lowell, and others on the programme were William P. Smith, Jr., of Princeton and Alumni Manager Gurney. Mr. Smith was invited in order to tell of the project of building a new University Club in Boston, which is now fully under way. Chief Justice Walter Perley Hall of the Massachusetts Superior Court, of the class of 1889 and President of the Boston Club, was a genial toastmaster.

Both President Faunce and President Lowell spoke along similar lines. Both said that the greatest problem confronting our colleges to-day is maintaining individual contact with the students. "It is my belief," President Lowell remarked, "that we can handle the number of men we have now quite as practicably as the number of men we had fifty years ago. Of course we cannot turn out educated men as rapidly as automobiles are turned out at the factory. If we could create all of our students instead of receiving them born of other parents, we could turn them out all alike. . . . One thing that we are trying to do is to make men realize that the four years they spend in American colleges are really the most important years in their whole lives, because they are the years when they are at the age and in the surroundings in which they can best develop their bodies and minds and souls."

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"My own belief," he added, "is that the body of students in American colleges today is the cleanest body of young men in the world; that it has more public spirit than almost any other body of young men in the world."

President Faunce told interestingly of conditions on the Hill, going into informative detail concerning the psychological tests, the work of Dean Burwell, who looks after the Freshmen, the honor list established by Dean Randall, the problem of proper housing for the undergraduates, the great interest in sports and the plans for the new Brown field and the proposed football stadium on the property which is being developed southeast of the present Andrews Field.

Mr. Kane reminisced delightfully of sports as he observed them at Oxford and compared English athletic teams and training methods with American teams and methods. The Alumni Manager explained the work of the Associated Alumni, which he characterized as the one connecting link between the alumni and the university, and described the activities of the Brown clubs in Lynn, Hartford, Chicago, Washington, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and Providence. He urged an increasing interest in the association and made a plea for more members in order that the association might be able to carry out the work it has so courageously started.

The Brown quartet sang and the Brown jazz team furnished some lively music. At the head table with the speakers were Rev. Dr. John M. English '70, Professor Emeritus Wilfred H. Munro '70, George Burgess, Dan Brown, Roy Leith and Abbott B. Rice '84.

### LYNN

No more pleasant setting for the November meeting of the Brown Club of Lynn could be imagined than the big living room of Dan Pinkham's house. Mr. and Mrs. Pinkham again indicated what a thoughtful way they have with them as hosts and there was a reasonably satisfying attend-

ance of members to discuss the business of the evening and to listen to the Alumni Manager, with his account of the doings on the Hill and some incidents added about the football team and the season.

The club incidentally entertained two boys from the Swampscott high school who are turning their eyes Brownward. At the business meeting it was voted to conduct another concert for the Brown scholarship for Lynn high school students. Letters from both the university musical clubs and orchestra managers were read. There was no decision as to what organization would be invited to give a concert in Lynn.

Before the Alumni Manager let his hearers get away to the dining room where Mrs. Daniel R. Pinkham and Mrs. Arthur W. Pinkham were delightfully in charge, he urged on them the necessity of getting new members for the Associated Alumni and outlined a scheme whereby they could combine their own club dues with the dues of the parent body. The members who answered the roll call were President Frank E. Marble, Arthur W. Pinkham, Daniel R. Pinkham, Nate Edson, Arthur P. Briggs, Jimmy Paige, John E. Barnes, Ed die Murphy, Telford Jones, Fred Ingalls and Charlie Douglass.

### PITTSBURGH

There were few members of the Brown Club of Pittsburgh who didn't find themselves feeling like undergraduates again when Brown and Washington & Jefferson clashed at Washington, Pa., Oct. 13. Pat Curry, the club secretary, writes that "the band of rooters from Eastern Ohio and Western Pennsylvania did their utmost to cheer the team in its fine work against W. & J., and a number reported almost total inability to converse at ease for at least half of the following week.

"This game should prove of considerable value in advertising Brown in this section. Many comments on the sportsmanlike play of our team have since been heard." (No doubt about it, Capt. Spellman and his mates did themselves proud in this battle



in hostile territory, even if they did come out on the short end of the score).

The local alumni clubs in Pittsburgh, adds Mr. Curry, are giving serious consideration at this time to the employment of a permanent secretary to represent them, with offices in the University Club. This movement is intended to include the local alumni of all colleges, and while primarily meant as a means of reducing the clerical work of all secretaries, should prove of value as a clearing house and fixed head quarters. The Brown Club planned to consider the question of joining in the proposal at its next luncheon meeting.

President Faunce expects to visit the Pittsburgh Club next February and his coming is being looked forward to with genuine interest.

## HARTFORD

Before going any further it is necessary to remark that Laurence R. Smith '20, the new president of the Brown Club of Hartford, is probably the youngest leader of any Brown Club in the country. And he does not let his youth interfere with his interest in Brown and his zeal to keep the name of Brown prominent in his neighborhood.

Mr. Smith was elected President of the Hartford Club at the annual meeting held at the University Club, Hartford, on Nov. 5. He succeeds the Rev. George W. C. Hill '92, under whose direction the club has had a prosperous year. The following officers were named to serve with Mr. Smith: Vice presidents, Thomas J. Kelley '98 and Arthur W. French '07; secretary, C. Wilbur Cary '98; treasurer, Frank O. Jones '97.

Dr. Hill introduced as the speaker of the evening the Alumni Manager, who told of campus activities, scholastic as well as athletic, and who gave some statistics concerning the Freshman class. Following this talk there was a general discussion about forming a scholarship fund in the name of the club and of arranging for a visit of one of the University musical organizations,

preferably the orchestra. A committee was named to consider this last subject. Arrangements were also begun for the reception to President Faunce, who is expected to be the guest of the club some time in January.

## Miscellanea

### THE ALUMNI JUG

Hail the Alumni Jug, to be published in February. All alumni contributions must be in by Dec. 15.

A circular issued by the Jug says: "As a loyal alumnus you will want to do something. If you have any aptitude at all and you don't try, you should be shot. Get out your drawing board or dictionary of synonyms and antonyms and get to work now.

"In case you don't know, the Brown Jug is a humorous illustrated monthly, founded in 1919. As such it has distanced everything in its class and is rapidly taking its place with the old established leaders in this field. It is a publication that deserves the support of every loyal alumnus. A sample copy will be gladly mailed to any alumnus upon request.

"What we want: Pen and ink drawings, humorous poems, light verse, humorous prose, not over 150 words in length, original short jokes, humorous comments advertisements, anything funny.

"H. Anthony Dyer '94, the noted Providence artist, has started us off with a cover. All we need now is something to put inside that cover. This must come from you."

### TALK BY PROFESSOR LANGDON

"Will any of you try to imagine what would have been the result had Bolshevism overwhelmed Italy and had put Italy's power and influence behind the anarchistic tendencies, held in leash not only in France and England, but in Germany, too?" Prof. Courtney Langdon asked his audience in the Jesse Metcalf Chemical Laboratory on

the evening of Nov. 14 in a lecture on "Italy and Mussolini," the second in the University Lecture Series on "Topics of the Day." In each of these countries, the speaker told the audience, (which filled the seats and packed the aisles of the large auditorium), while the Communists represented but a negligible of the populace, "it was no more negligible than it had at first been in Russia."

## BROWN 19, ST. BONAVENTURE O

On November 3 at Andrews Field Brown opened the football game against St. Bonaventure College of Ilion, N. Y. with only two regulars in the line-up. The final score was 19-0 in favor of Brown.

On Soldiers Field at Harvard, Nov. 18, the Brown Freshman football team beat the Harvard Second team by a score of 19-0.

# Brunonians Far and Near

## Faculty

President Faunce delivered an address, Nov. 21, at the inauguration of the new president of McMaster University at Toronto, Canada, and was the recipient, at the exercises of the occasion, of the degree of doctor of laws.

"Armistice Day" is not only a requiem for the dead; it is a trumpet call for the living. It calls to the nation to give more efficient care to the disabled soldier. We are summoned to a duty of tolerance," declared President Faunce in his address at the patriotic mass meeting, Nov. 12, in the Emery Majestic Theatre in commemoration of the signing of the armistice in 1918. At a meeting of the Providence Mothers' Club later in the day, Dr. Faunce said that Armistice Day should not only stand for great things done, but should remind the American people of great things still to be done. The women were reminded of the almost limitless power which had come to them with the ballot.

Professor Leslie E. Swain of the Physical Training Department spent the summer teaching swimming, mostly to children, gardening and studying. He was re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Christian C. M. Association and was elected to the Board of Directors of the Chiquaquet Club, both of Craigville, Mass. He was chairman for the association of the Water Sports Committee, is chairman of the Committee on Police and Sanitation for the association, and of the Beach Committee for both the club and the association.

## Alumni

1867

G. Schirmer, Inc., New York, publishes at \$2: "Song-Writing and Song-Making, A Book of Advice for the Amateur Composer," by Lucien G. Chaffin.

1875

A writer in the Catholic Citizen of Chelsea, Mass.; says:

The Park Commissioners have named the old high school lot on Bellingham and Grove streets, "Bosson Playground" in honor of Judge Albert D. Bosson, Chelsea's "first citizen," indeed practically the only old citizen remaining who has given Chelsea, the city of his birth, the best that is in him for many years. From his boyhood Judge Bosson has taken an active interest in the progress and welfare of his native city. He has its history thoroughly memorized from the days of Samuel Maverick, the first settler, before Boston was settled, down to the present day. It is due to the efforts of Judge Bosson, that the old Cary House is preserved to-day. It was the headquarters of many Revolutionary heroes, and its history, as given in the "Cary Letters" on file at the Public Library is most interesting. Judge Bosson has also many documents and data of historic value to the city. He is now advocating the change of date on the city seal, claiming, with proof, that Chelsea was settled several years before Boston, instead of ten years after.

It is not our intention at this time to write a biography of our honored jurist,

citizen and friend. This will, we hope, come later at more formal exercises, when as the citizens express it, an opportunity will be given at the "christening" to honor the "grand old man" (not so old at that), whom everybody loves or respects, of whom even the unfortunates in the dock say that he judges them justly and charitably.

It is not an honor, it is an act of justice and a small tribute of gratitude that the Park Commissioners named a playground for Judge Bosson. He has been Mayor of Chelsea, he has been its leading citizen for many years, his life has been devoted to the higher, the better things of life, with Chelsea always the first in his thought. He was the founder of the County Savings Bank and is still its president, but he is singularly free from that hard, cold shell which seems to enclose men of finance. He was one of the original promoters of the playgrounds when that movement was first started in the '90s. A short time ago the County Savings Bank contributed a lot of land in the rear of Medford street, not as yet developed, that little children might play there. He himself volunteered to plant it with trees and shrubs. And so I might go on! Everywhere one turns is some evidence of the work of Judge Bosson for the benefit of the city he loves, and has been faithful and true to, to this day.

1880

Augustus L. Abbott represented the University at the inauguration of former Governor Herbert S. Hadley as Chancellor of Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., on Nov. 10.

1882

Dr. W. H. Tolman's address is now care of American Consulate, Bergen, Norway.

1883

Dr. James H. Davenport retired as President of the University Club, Providence, at the annual meeting on Oct. 30. His farewell speech was a delightful and well-appreciated blend of seriousness and humor.

1884

Rev. John Daboll '84, formerly secretary to John Dollber, president and treasurer of the Mellin's Food Company and later during the war comptroller of accounts for the city of Newton, Mass., has become pastor of the New Church in Brookline. He preached his first pastoral sermon on Sept. 30. Before becoming associated with the Mellin's Food Company, Mr. Daboll was connected with construction and electrical companies. The Boston Herald says: "His long association with men of all kinds, and his sympathetic understanding of human aspirations, finally brought him to the belief that he could serve better in the pulpit than in the factory. From building foundries, as he did in South Boston and in Neponset, he will now do his share in building character and a high type of citizenship. He was ordained into the Swedenborgian ministry after a two years' course in the New Church theological seminary in Cambridge. His turn to the ministry came from a feeling that the need of the times is an appreciation of the absolute necessity of the Christian religion in the solution of the problems of the day; that the teaching of the New Church in regard to the Lord, the Bible, the life hereafter and the life here, can be of great help in meeting these problems, and that only a definite turning to the Lord Jesus Christ as God for help and guidance in obeying the Ten Commandments and the precepts of the word of the Lord will save the world from spiritual catastrophe."

1886

Dana R. Bullen has been appointed assistant vice president on the staff of the vice presidents of the General Electric Company who have charge of sales. Mr. Bullen has been with G. E. for a number of years and is well known in the electrical field.

1889

Dr. Ralph W. Jackson of Fall River, who recently returned from a two months' tour to the Pacific coast, had the honor of being elected president of the American

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Proctology society at its annual meeting in Los Angeles. Dr. Jackson, who has been secretary of the society for the last four years, resigned that office. He was also made vice chairman of the section in gastroenterology and proctology at the annual convention of the American Medical Association, held in San Francisco.

1890

H. R. Palmer's elder son, Louis B. Palmer, having graduated at Stonington High School, is a member of the Senior class at Phillips Academy, Andover, and expects to enter Brown next fall.

The Boone (Iowa) News-Republican lately issued a 35th anniversary edition of the founding of a daily paper in Boone. In this edition the announcement was made of the purchase of a new rotary press for 1924 "with further improvements in the mechanical department that will put this paper away in the lead in equipment for cities of the size of Boone." Congratulations to Steve Goldthwaite, owner and publisher of the News-Republican, one of

Brown's most prosperous graduates of the Middle West.

1892

Harrison S. Taft has presented to the engineering division of the University several fine photographs of the concrete graving docks at Portsmouth, Va., of which Mr. Taft was one of the construction engineers. The docks, three in number, and presenting some unusual problems in construction, were built in record time and under conditions that made the work a memorable engineering achievement.

1893

Former President Meiklejohn of Amherst had an article in Harper's for November on "College and Common Life," in which he emphasized the necessity of training sons and daughters to bring out all the best that is in them, of thought and of action.

1897

Superintendent Broome (Brown '97) is to be commended for his action in calling a halt upon the multiplication of "weeks"

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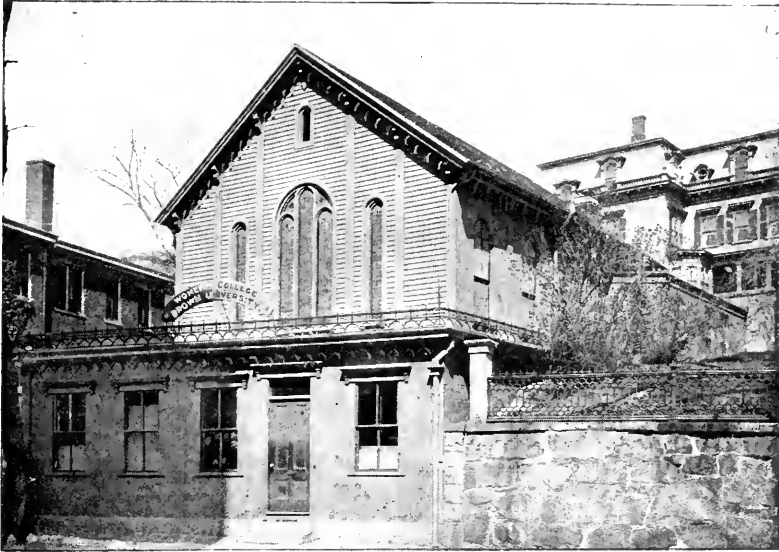
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# BYGONE DAYS AT BROWN



## A VANISHED COLLEGE LANDMARK

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## THE OLD CHAPEL

Thousands of Brown men now living sat here under the ministrations of Presidents Wayland, Sears, Caswell, Robinson and Andrews

for observance in the public schools and upon the constant invasion of the time of teachers and pupils by zealous advocates of this, that or the other "good cause." These "friendly enemies of the school system," to borrow Dr. Broome's phrase, mean well, of course, but they undoubtedly interfere with the orderly progress of education and seek to give undue emphasis to all sorts of fads and fancies, some of them worthy in themselves, but out of harmony with the fixed program of school routine and offer pressed without regard to their right place in the normal scheme of study.—*Philadelphia Ledger*.

1898

Dwight K. Bartlett and Mrs. Bartlett, who have made their home in New York for a number of years, are now living at 219 Butler ave., Providence.

Dennis O'Brien has been wearing a bit of a smile ever since he received the news that his son Paul, a member of the class of 1927 at the University, had won the non-varsity tennis championship in singles.

Fred W. Arnold, Jr., has again been chosen as secretary of the University Club of Providence. Fred is also up to his old trick of providing the material for this year's Christmas show at the Club.

Howard W. Farnum, former State senator from Gloucester, died on Oct. 22, 1923, at his home in Chepachet as the result of a shock. He had been in failing health for about a year, due to a partial stroke of paralysis.

Mr. Farnum was born Feb. 4, 1875, in Chepachet, and received his early education in the district schools, the Classical high school at Providence, from which he was graduated in 1894, and Brown University, from which he was graduated in 1898.

After graduating from Brown he engaged in the insurance business and followed that and the mortgage and real estate business. The management of his private interests, which were extensive, took much time.

Mr. Farnum was a Republican, and in 1899 and 1900 served as senator from Gloucester. He was again elected in 1915 and served until 1922. He also served some years as deputy town clerk.

Under the old system he was moderator of school districts Nos. 3, 4 and 5, in Gloucester, for a number of years. When Colonel George H. Browne Camp, No. 20, Sons of Veterans, was organized at Chepachet, Mr. Farnum was one of the charter members. He took an important part in the work of that organization, and was elected lieutenant and later captain.

On Nov. 22, 1899, Mr. Farnum married Maude Louise Read, only daughter of the late General Treasurer Walter A. Read and Charlotte (Owen) Read. Mr. Farnum lived in the old homestead of his father, which is one of the most attractive estates in Chepachet.

1899

Arthur H. Blanchard, professor of highway engineering and highway transport at the University of Michigan, has been retained by the National Transportation Institute of Chicago to deliver lectures in universities and colleges on the subject of "The Economic Development of Highway Transport in the United States."



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**TILDEN - THURBER**

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1900

For the first time in the history of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts a president has been elected who does not hail from Boston. Clifford S. Anderson, assistant secretary and counsel for the Norton Company of Worcester, is the man to whom the honor fell, having been elected at the annual meeting at the Copley-Plaza, Boston, on Oct. 24.

Worcester county has the largest membership of any county in the State. This factor appealed strongly to the nominating committee in considering candidates. The election is for one year.

Mr. Anderson is a native of Portland, Me., and has resided in Worcester since 1903. He was graduated from Worcester Academy in 1896, from Brown University in 1900 and from Harvard Law School in 1903, and served for a time as assistant city solicitor of Worcester.

1901

Major G. A. Taylor, U. S. A., who is still on duty with the Adjutant General's office, at the State House in Providence, attended two camps last summer at Fort H. G. Wright. The first, in August, was that of the Coast Artillery Corps, R. I. N. G., now the 243rd Artillery (C. A. C.), of which he is the instructor. He also attended the 15-day camp of the First Coast Defense Command, Massachusetts National Guard, held at Fort Wright during September. The camps of the 103rd Field Artillery and the Rhode Island Cavalry were also visited by him. In 1916, and for the past four years, since the war, Major Taylor, who is a Central Board football official, has officiated the practice scrimmages at Andrews Field. In this way the players become used to playing with officials watching them, and penalties in games are reduced to a minimum.

During the Wednesday scrimmage preceding the Dartmouth game, Major Taylor was the victim of a very unusual accident. In the twilight, at the close of the practice, a halfback took out an end, and both players rolled against Major Taylor's left leg, breaking the smaller bone above the ankle. He finished it out and drove his car home, but an X-ray photograph revealed the fracture. He does not expect to be laid up long. Having recently been transferred to the Field Artillery he expects to leave Providence next fall to join the Field Officers' Class at the School of Fire at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. In France he served as colonel of the 128th F. A., a horsedrawn 75 regiment from St. Louis, Mo.

1902

Samuel Moffatt is busy on a campaign to raise funds for the returned Sailors and Soldiers' Imperial League of Australia. His business address is 178 Collins st., Melbourne, Australia.

1905

Rev. George D. Allison is president of the Delaware Baptist Convention, having been elected for a third term.

Sam Baker has published a translation of a three-act play from the Spanish of the Brothers Quintero, entitled "The Fountain of Youth," and published by the Stewart Kidd Co., of Cincinnati, Ohio.



1907

Larry Grose, known to the students at Massachusetts Agricultural College as Professor Laurence R. Grose, chief of the department of forestry, directed the play, "The Man Who Married a Dumb Wife," given at Amherst recently. Mr. Belasco, please note.

1908

Norman Case, major adjutant of the 315th Cavalry, Officers' Reserve Corps, had his left arm broken at the Armory of Mounted Commands, Providence, on Nov. 5 when his horse ran away. Norman says that he is at least thankful he wasn't born left-handed.

Rev. Charles Francis Potter, pastor of the West Side Unitarian Church, New York, had the front page of the literary supplement of the New York Herald of Sunday, Oct. 28, all to himself with a review of Hendrik Van Loon's new book, "The Story of the Bible."

It's Congressman John J. O'Connor now, John having been elected in the 16th New York district, to succeed the late W. Bourke Cockran. Nobody was more pleased at the result than John's old college running mate, Jack Hartigan '09.

1909

Arthur (Pop) Kirley looked as big as life (and maybe a little bigger) handling the Brown end of the ten-yard chain at the Brown-Dartmouth game in Boston. Pop's only regret was that he couldn't have got in there himself to prevent the Green from blocking the punts that spelled defeat for his favorite eleven.

Johnny Mayhew is back in this country for a vacation. He is with the Standard Oil Company and has been attached at Haiphong, French-Indo China, for the last two years. While in Providence over the week end of October 13 he stayed with Al Leach. Among his athletic activities John includes the game of golf, which he played with Al Leach, Henry Chafee and Norman Sammis '08. John carries all the strokes in his golf bag but particularly packs a long drive and a sure approach. Sunday evening at the Agawam Hunt Club, Lawrence Richmond was the host at a supper for Johnny and such members of the class as could be gotten together, including

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Harold P. Babcock has moved back to Providence from New York. He has resigned from the Jenckes Spinning Company organization and is now sales manager for the United States Textile Company. His home address is 126 Waterman st.

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Harry Ormes looked in on the Alumni office recently on his way back to Philadelphia where, he reported, the Brown Club is preparing to start its activities for the season.

Robert Cushman Murphy, assistant to the director of the American Museum of Natural History, New York, writes: "For the last three years I have been one of the line of Brown men—which has included Dr. H. C. Bumpus, former director; George H. Sherwood, the present executive secretary; Dr. R. W. Tower, librarian and curator of physiology; and Dr. Louis H. Sullivan, anthropologist—who have been helping to carry on the traditions and the work of this institution. Murphy, by the way, was the first of the Marshall Woods lecturers at the University this fall, speaking on "The Bird Islands of Peru" in Sayles Hall, Nov. 13.

1911 and 1915

Charles P. Sisson '11 has been elected chairman and William A. Needham '15

secretary of the Providence Republican City Committee.

1913

J. Taylor Wilson, one of the enthusiastic workers of the Brown Club of Philadelphia, has deserted that city to return to Providence, where he is now associated with Hutchison & Co., (Newton Hutchison '05 and Maurice Wolf '14), dealers in investment securities.

1914

Allan L. Langley, now of New York, is the composer of a concert waltz, "The Immortals," which was played for the first time last summer in one of the big Stadium concerts in New York by the New York Philharmonic Orchestra, William van Hoogstraten, conductor. The programme note, written by Lawrence Gilman, said: "Mr. Langley, another of whose admirable waltzes, 'In Strauss's Time,' was performed at a Stadium concert in 1922, is a member of the Philharmonic Orchestra, playing in the viola section. He was born at Newport, R. I., in 1892, studied with Chadwick at the New England Conservatory, and has composed a symphony, a string quartet, a sonata for viola and piano, and a group of concert waltzes for orchestra. The waltz entitled 'The Immortals' the composer writes, was written as a tribute to some of the notable composers who made that form of music famous. Six waltz writers are remembered in the dedication. The introduction is inscribed to Johann Strauss, the father; of the waltzes, No. 1 is dedicated to Emile Waldteufel; No. 2 to Josef Gung'l; No. 3 to Josef Lanner; No. 4 to Karl Konzak and the coda to John Strauss, Jr. In the four waltzes an effort has been made to write as nearly as possible in the respective styles of the composers named, which are obviously distinctive to a student of the waltz."

King Collins died at the Rhode Island Hospital, Providence, Nov. 1, as a result of injuries received in an automobile accident near Killingly, Conn., while returning from the Brown-Yale game. Mr. Collins, it is said, had intended to go home by train, but at the last moment decided to return to Providence over the road, believing he could get there earlier. But the

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car skidded on Dark Lantern Hill, Killingly, killing F. R. Wheelwright and injuring the other occupants. Mr. Collins, who died following an operation for relief of internal hurts, was one of the popular and active members of the class of 1914, although he was not graduated. He was born in Greencastle, Ind., the son of George Laar and Elizabeth King Collins, Aug. 23, 1890. He entered Brown from Cranston, R. I., high school, remaining two years. For several years he was in the employ of G. L. and H. J. Gross, real estate agents. In 1916 he went to the Mexican border with Battery A, Rhode Island Field Artillery. When the war with Germany began, he went to Plattsburg, enrolling in the training camp there on his 27th birthday. He received a commission as second lieutenant and was instructor in field artillery until October, 1918, when he left for France. He came home again in December and was mustered out in January, 1919. Mr. Collins was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. He is survived by his mother.

Secretary Rogers of the Class of 1914 sends us the following:

The class received a great shock in the death of King Collins on October 29, 1923, as a result of an automobile accident which occurred on Dark Lantern Hill, near Danielson, Conn.

There were four occupants in the car when it skidded on some wet leaves and overturned, one man being killed instantly, while King, who was rushed to the Rhode Island Hospital, lived four days, having every medical care that was possible.

There is no member of the Class of 1914 residing in Providence whose loss would have been felt as keenly. King had a host of friends, both in and out of the class, and his ever present good nature, together with his sterling qualities, endeared him to all.

The funeral took place on Saturday, November 3rd. The class donated a suitable wreath. King is survived by his widowed

mother, Mrs. George Lamar Collins, whose only child he was.

Tenth reunion plans for the Class of 1914 are rapidly taking definite shape. The American Legion Camp at Quonset has been reserved and on Sunday afternoon before Commencement the class will go to the camp, remaining there until Tuesday evening. On Wednesday, Commencement Day accompanied by the strains of martial music, the class will parade to the field adorned in festive garb, and it may be safely said that the already present physical charms of the class members will be markedly accentuated by reason of the special costumes, the nature of which is too startling at this time to divulge.

While at the camp, provision has been made for a display of athletic prowess on the part of the middle-aged, and intramural sports of every kind, nature and description will be engaged in.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Blanchard are now at home at Alloways House, Lawrenceville, N. J.

Declaring that clean, upright politics is the life of patriotism in peacetime, Lieut. William A. Needham urged members of the Providence Mothers' Club, which met in Froebel Hall, Nov. 11, to familiarize themselves with local conditions and to see to it that only well-qualified men are chosen to serve in Government offices.

1916

Announcement was recently made of the marriage of George R. Arnold and Gladys E. Bishop of Newark, N. J. Mr. Arnold has been employed for the last four years as an advertising writer with the H. K. McCann Co., 61 Broadway, New York city. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold are now living in East Orange, N. J.

1917

Wally Wade, coach of football at the

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University of Alabama, appears to be making a success of his new work. The Alabama Alumni News says that "the Wade system of football began to appear in significant style on the first day of practice. There were no benches for resting, no water buckets for parched tongues and no cool shade for the weary. Without these comforts the first few days were weary ones for the 60 candidates out on Denny Field. . . . The conditioning process was one never before seen at the Capstone and was probably the most effective used here in recent years."

1919

Roger Clapp, Tom Black and Fred Perkins are co-operating in coaching the University debating team, which has a heavy schedule on its hands for this season.

Claude Davidson, coach of the Harvard Freshman nine and president of the Boston Twilight Baseball League, is now associated with the James W. Brine Co., Boston, in the sporting goods business. Report has it that Claude will be promoted to coach

the Harvard varsity baseball squad next spring.

1920

"Ink" Williams simply cannot stop playing football. He was at his old place at end for the Hammond, Ind., professional team the past fall.

Dan Whitford is enrolled in the graduate school in Arts and Sciences, Harvard, specializing in mathematics with his eye on a Ph.D.

Charlie Phillips writes: "Kindly change my address to 67 Howe st., New Haven, Conn." There you are, Charlie, but somebody wants to know what the attraction is in New Haven.

1921

Russell Jones has been elected one of the managers of the bulletin of the law school at the University of Wisconsin.

1922

Philip Brown tells us that he continues "to be very much pleased with Stanford (see California). I am teaching in the



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economics department this year and at present am handling two sections of elementary accounting. The Brown delegation here is growing slowly. Jack Blair is here this fall in addition to Merrill Bennett and me, who came last year."

Hymen Mayerson, one of the growing New Haven colony (so it seems) of Brown men, postcards to the effect that his address is now 1081 Chapel st., New Haven.

Clark Forstall writes that he is "still learning the carpet and rug business with Steven Sanford and Sons (Amsterdam, N. Y.) but expects to be on the campus at Thanksgiving for the Lehigh game along with Heber Webb and Jack Fawcett."

1923

Larry Lanpher, back from Europe and feeling fine, is writing interscholastic sports for the Providence Evening Bulletin.

Don Boyd is learning the banking business with the Irving Bank-Columbia Trust Co., New York.

Winthrop Munro is teaching in the ju-

nior high school at Mountain Lakes, N. J.

Martin Campbell tells us he is assistant engineer with the Department of Streets and Public Improvements, Newark, N. J.

Lawrence McCarthy is studying law at Georgetown University, where he has opportunity to look over the politicians in Washington.

Jack Worthington is selling life insurance for the Phenix Mutual Life Insurance Co., of Hartford, Conn.

Bob Addoms is with the Standard Statistics Co. at 47 West st., New York.

Justin Andrews is enrolled in the School of Hygiene and Public Health, Johns Hopkins University.

Howard Fales is learning the business with the New England T. & T. Co., with his office at 50 Oliver st., Boston.

Arthur E. Griffin has entered the employ of the Jessup and Moore Paper Co. of Philadelphia, with mills in Wilmington and Rockland, Del., and Elkton, Md., and will learn the manufacturing end of the pulp and paper industry. Address 605 North Harrison st., Wilmington, Del.

W. K. Andy Macfarlane, 2d, spent the summer in the Pacific Northwest climbing around the mountains. He returned to Providence last month to accept a position with the Puritan Life Insurance Co. Incidentally, Macfarlane did some good Brown advertising around Seattle during the summer months.

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1900

The engagement is announced of Mabel S. LeValley to James Lee Chapman of Mississippi.

1911

Anna Canada Swain was elected last summer to the Board of Trustees of Harts-horn College, of which board Dr. Faunce is president. She was also appointed to the Interdenominational Committee for Home Missions, which among other duties has charge of arranging the program for the Northfield Conference. During the early summer she ran a house party for the World Wide Guild of Rhode Island at

Craigville, Mass., and also had charge of Camp Salaam at Northfield, Mass. She was reelected secretary of the Chiquaquet Club of Craigville.

1921

Pauline Alverson Barrows and Dr. William Newton Hughes were married on Sept. 8. Their address is Greenville ave., Man-  
ton, R. I.

Dorothy E. Bryant is teaching history and English in the high school, Marshfield, Mass.

Gladys Mae Jordan and Robert Almond were married on Sept. 15. They are now living at 1 Grove ave., East Providence, R. I.

Loraine Hunter Ferguson and John Edward Blair were married on Sept. 6. Their address is 524 University ave., Palo Alto, Calif.

The address of Mrs. Joseph T. Frazza Jr., (Palmyra Serpa) is Central Cespedes, Camaguey, Cuba.

Mrs. Olive A. Moxham's address is Rutherford, N. J.

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#### ENGAGEMENTS

The engagement is announced of Miss Lucia Bliss, Wheaton 1923, to John B. Harvie '22.

Mr. and Mrs. James G. Young of Providence have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Margaret Young, to Theodore L. Sweet '22.

The engagement has been announced of Miss Frances Patricia O'Connor, Women's College 1917, to William H. G. Herklots of The Hague, Holland.

Dr. and Mrs. M. B. Milan of Providence have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Margaret Milan, to Mark A. Golrick, Jr., '19.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Williams of Providence have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Charlotte R. Williams, to C. Cedric Pearson '22.

Major and Mrs. Howard Dutee Wilcox of Providence have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Alice Taylor Wilcox, to Zenas R. Bliss '18, a member of the University faculty.

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engagement of their daughter, Miss Margaret I. Aborn, to Dr. Robert M. Lord '14. Bob is a children's specialist in Providence. Between him and Red McLaughlin '14 babies are well attended.

### WEDDINGS

1899—Arthur Freeman Crowell and Miss Myra Gertrude Cook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Austin Cook, were married in Providence on Oct. 18. They are now occupying their new home, 25 Woodward ave., Quincy, Mass., where Mr. Crowell is principal of the Washington and Government schools.

1917—Russell L. Tomlinson and Miss Esther Selina Ives were married in Providence on Oct. 15. Mrs. Tomlinson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Ives. After the wedding, Mr. and Mrs. Tomlinson left for a trip to the West Indies.

1923—Harold F. Ballou and Miss Emline Miriam Lowe were married in Providence on Oct. 27. Mrs. Ballou is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edward Lowe of Providence. Among the ushers at the wedding were Chester W. Stackpole '22 and Raymond Lawson '23.

### BIRTHS

1903—To Mr. and Mrs. Harvey A. Baker, a daughter, Anne Harvey, on Nov. 7.

1911—To Mr. and Mrs. Russell McKay of Youngstown, Ohio, a son (the third) on Sept. 12, 1923.

1913—To Mr. and Mrs. John K. Starkweather at Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 5, 1923, a son, James Oliver Starkweather. The newcomer is a grandson of James C. Starkweather '80.

1917 sp—To Mr. and Mrs. Herbert H. Boden, a son, Herbert H. Boden, Jr., on Oct. 16.

1918—To Mr. and Mrs. Ronald M. Kimball, a son, Thayer MacDonald, on Oct. 28.

1919—To Mr. and Mrs. Preston O. Abbott, a daughter, Mary Stark, on Nov. 3.

1920—To Mr. and Mrs. J. Howard Covell a daughter, Margaret Faith, Oct. 7, in Japan.



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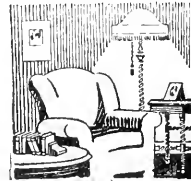
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